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In re Application of:)	
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Gerald A. GEGEL et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1725
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Application No.: 10/849,297)	Examiner: Len Tran
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Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2005, please consider the following remarks.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 20-27 and 29-34 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,069,271 to *Chandley et al.*; and objected to claim 28 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of the allowable subject matter in claim 28. Claims 20-34 remain pending in the application. Applicants also thank the Examiner for speaking with Applicants' representative during the personal interview on